

Docket No. 0575/44012-AB/JPW/AJM/JCS**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Applicant(s): Eric A. SchonSerial No. : 10/086,489Examiner: J. FredmanFiled : February 28, 2002Group Art Unit: 1637For : A Method to Detect Mutations in a Nucleic Acid Using
a Hybridization-Ligation ProcedureMail Stop Amendment
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450Date: January 27, 2006

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

_____ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 has been previously established.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 is enclosed.

X No additional fee is required.

The filing fee is calculated as follows:

	Number after Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For ¹	Number of Extra Claims Presented	RATE			FEE	
				Small Entity	Other Entity		Small Entity	Other Entity
Total Claims	72 -	* 74 =	*** 0 X	\$25	\$50	=		0
Indepen-dent Claims	6 -	** 7 =	*** 0 X	\$100	\$200	=		0
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Presented For First Time _____ Yes <u>X</u> No				\$180	\$360	=		0
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE			\$ 0.00	

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